

AGING SERVICES COUNCIL

Minutes: April 3, 2008

Time: 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Location: St. David’s Foundation

Attendees:

Lisa Kerber	SDCHF	Joyce Hefner	Family Eldercare
Carol Johnson	TCC	Patricia Bordie	AAACAP
Mary Teeters	MOW	Eva Church	AGE/CRC
Jason Earle		Katy Kappel	
Glenda Rogers	AAA	Willie Williams	HHSD
Mick Koffend	Accountable Aging	Jeanie Teel	Faith in Action Caregivers
Evelyn Cooke	HAND	W. Blake Robins	
Joyce Lauck	AGE		
Mary Dodd	CAN		
Myndi Swanson	UWCA		
Elizabeth Guernsey	UWCA		
Korey Darling	Travis Co. HHS&VS		
Jeff Kaller	AGE		

Items covered:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of Minutes: - Carol motioned for approval of Minutes from February, Willie second, approved.
3. Treasurer’s Report: - Liz gave update. The St. David’s Grant was deposited. Some money has been spent to reimburse Meals on Wheels and Jeff’s position.
4. Retreat Follow up:
 - Mapping Group: Liz proposed questions to the council regarding the scope and timeline of the project. Should come up with questions now in order to launch the survey in September and have it done by end of October. Should it be limited to just the participants in the council or beyond? Mike K. and Jason E. interested. Lisa K. suggested we could tie in the survey. The next step is to draft up the survey and Myndi, Korey, and Jeff could work on this.
 - E-newsletter: Lisa K. stated that the council could create a Gmail account in order to provide everyone access to the newsletter and give everyone the ability to add to the newsletter. Also, Jeff K. could collect the links and form them into an email to be sent out every other week. Joyce L. suggested every other week might be too often. The newsletter will be discussed at the next Steering Committee meeting. Thank you to Annette Juba for her work on the project.

- Survey: Lisa K. and Patricia B. were involved. Unmet needs in Wm and Travis Counties. Telephone Survey: Lisa K gave update. The survey will cover Travis, Williamson, and Hays counties. She provided a handout on the project timeline and what is needed from the council members. We need to help with modifications of questions if needed and communicating results to the community. Those interested should e-mail Lisa Kerber.
- Handyman/Chore collaboration: Kim is not here. Jeanie T. said that services such as carpet cleaning and plumbing need to be contracted out, so we should come up with a few vendors. Joyce L. asked who the lead on the project was. Lisa K. asked if there was any fit with Fall Prevention that might be worth assessing. Mike K. asked who would fund the project and it was stated that this is a project St. David's Foundation is interested in. Caregivers groups had been discussing but barriers exist regarding liability. The services needed are those that require more skill than currently being provided by existing organizations (example: plumbing). Mary D. stated that there is a large need in the community.

5. Old/New Business:

- Vision/Mission tweaking will be worked on at the next Steering Committee meeting next week.
- Project Lifesaver has trained 15 people so far and given out two bracelets. They might need some upcoming help; the council should identify possibilities. Andrea will have more information.
- Mental Health Depression Summit
- National Conference on Aging

6. Announcements:

- The next Steering Committee meeting will be held April 14th.
- HHS @ LTC Hearing on April 10th.
- ADAPT Hearing on April 8th from 1-3pm. Will address workforce issues.
- Geriatric Aides meeting at 9am on May 14th.
- The annual AGE Awards Dinner is on April 18th.
- Brake Before You Break is on May 17th for caregivers.
- New Freedom Grants info coming out.

7. Next Meeting: June 5th at 8:30am. Location: St. David's Foundation.